DATE: JULY 9, 2004

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

RE: NEW 130 – AUTO FERRIES

DESIGN AND BUILD CONTRACT NO. 00-6674

NOTICE

The following is the Special Prequalification status of the proposers for Washington State Ferries' (WSF's) modified Request For Proposals (RFP) for the New 130 – Auto Ferries Design and Build Contract No. 00-6674. WSF has issued confirming letters to each proposer.

	<u>PROPOSER</u>	SPECIAL PREQUALIFICATION
1.	J.M. MARTINAC SHIPBUILDING CORP.	YES
2.	NICHOLS BROS. BOAT BUILDERS, INC.	YES
3.	TODD SHIPYARDS CORPORATION	YES
4.	EVERETT SHIPYARD, INC.	NO
5.	SANTA MARIA STEEL, LLC *	NO

The three (3) firms above with a "Yes" marker constitutes the scope of proposers that may continue to participate in the RFP process for the New 130-Auto Ferries Design and Build Contract.

Sincerely,

Tim McGuigan Director of Legal Services and Contracts

^{*} proposed new shipyard in Raymond, WA